



Back to school

I'd like to welcome all of our ferry-served community students back to school! We are proud to carry the hundreds of students who ride to school by ferry on the Fauntleroy/Vashon/Southworth route and in the San Juan Islands.

WSF is also happy to work with schools for all of their travel and field trip needs. For more information on school group travel visit our [webpage](#).



Students coming from Vashon Island School District disembark at the Fauntleroy terminal.

New ferry food coming soon

I'm excited to announce that we have started transitioning to our new ferry food service provider, Centerplate. Over the coming weeks, you may see construction and improvements in the onboard galleys. We appreciate your patience while we switch from one vendor to another, as there may be

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Fall sailing schedule

Mark your calendar! Look out for the purple Fall 2016 sailing schedule. The new schedule begins on Sunday, Sept. 18. Paper copies of the schedule are available at terminals and on vessels. The schedule can also be found on our [website](#).



SR 104 paving near Kingston Terminal

There is ongoing construction near the Kingston ferry terminal. WSDOT is resurfacing a section of SR 104 and upgrading the route's sidewalk ramps to meet current ADA standards. Work began this week and is expected to continue through November. Pedestrian access may be restricted during daytime

temporary disruptions in food service. Centerplate is on schedule to offer some food service on all vessels by mid-October.

Striping improvements at the Vashon terminal

Thank you for your patience on Thursday as we made striping improvements to the Vashon terminal. Changes included marking off a second vehicle entrance lane and widening lane 1 on the east side of the dock.

Drivers also will see new hatch-marked striping indicating 'no staging or waiting' at the entrance to the dock. When the regular holding lanes are full, vehicles may not wait for the ferry in the hatch-marked areas. Overflow traffic should wait on Vashon Highway or 103rd. The markings ensure safety and security by keeping the entrance and exit to the dock clear at all times, similar to hatch-marks used on the roadway in front of driveways.

Data collection at Fauntleroy

You may have noticed WSF staff near the Fauntleroy terminal this week. We are conducting a preliminary study and collecting data on Fauntleroy/Vashon/Southworth operations. Data will be used to help inform a series of public meetings, set to begin in the fall, to explore improvements to the route.



Wayne McFarland, member of the Fauntleroy terminal staff, collects data on loading operations on the dock.

Join us at the Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival this weekend!

and nighttime hours at the following four intersections: Lindvog Road NE, NE West Kingston Road, Ohio Ave NE, and Washington Boulevard NE. There will also be temporary single-lane closures within the project limits each Sunday through Thursday night between 8 p.m. and 8 a.m. For more information, please visit the project [website](#).

Customer Service Kudos

"I cannot begin to tell you how frantic I was driving from Queen Anne to the [Anacortes] ferry. I gave myself 2 1/2 hours to get there. [...] I watched with horror as the clock ticked my arrival up another minute then another as I sat in traffic. In a panic I called a friend [who helped me contact WSF]. [We were connected to] Trevor [Sharp, Terminal Attendant] who could not have been more generous of spirit. He called to the island to alert them that I may be late, he then radioed to the crew on the ferry to have my granddaughter, Sofia, go to the terminal upon arrival. Not only did Trevor keep me informed the whole way [...], he was standing at the receiving area when I arrived, awaiting Sofia. When I got there just as she was coming down the ramp, I didn't know who to hug harder Trevor or Sofia. Although she is 12, she was arriving alone from camp to attend her school orientation tomorrow. Camp rules allow no money [and] no cell

Stop by our booth at the [Mukilteo Lighthouse Festival](#) this Friday or Saturday to learn about plans to replace the aging Mukilteo ferry terminal. Project staff will be available to answer questions, share design plans, and explain the [project](#).



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phone so I was at the mercy of a stranger who turned out to be our hero."

- Ferry customer



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